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Sir:

The above-identified U.S. patent application corresponds to Japanese Patent Appl. No. 2003-67739. An Examiner's Letter issued on May 23, 2006 in connection with the Japanese application. The Examiner identified six Japanese applications as being relevant. Those references have been listed on the attached copy of Form PTO-1449. Copies of the Japanese references are attached as well. The references all relate generally to nozzles or caps for liquid containers.

The Examiner is requested to consider these references during the Examination and to make the references of record.

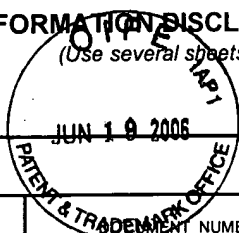
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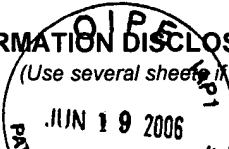
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